GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

the norms laid down for selection of colleges and educational institutions for inclusion in the assistance programme of the University Grants Commission?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the Commission provides financial assistance to those Colleges/educational institutions, which are recognised by the UGC under Sections 2(f) and 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Regulations/norms framed by the UGC for recognition ofcolleges and educational institutions under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, inter alia, provide that the Commission may, in consultation with the University concerned recognize an institution under clause (f) of Section 2 of the UGC Act, 1956, if:-

(i) it is affiliated to, or forms a constituent member of, or is run directly as a University college by or is an institution recognized by a University establishment or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act and the statutes and regulations made thereunder or run by Government or local authority.

(ii) it provides instructions upto a Bachelor's degree or upto a Post-graduate degree or for a post-graduate degree only or provides instructions for a Diploma Course of a duration of not less than one academic year and for which the minimum qualification for admission is a Bachelor's degree; and

(iii) it is registered as a society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) or is a bodycorporate, established or incorporated under a Central or State Act, for time being in force or is a Trust with Trustees being appointed and vested with legal powers and duties, provided that the requirements of this clause shall be not only in the case of an institution run by the Government or a local authority or any University.

(iv) In relation to such institutions, where it does not fall within clause (iii), a bond is executed by the registered society or trust by which it is managed or run guaranting the proper utilization of the grants that might be paid by the Commission to the institutions and agreeing to refund such part of the grant as may not have been properly utilized for the purpose of the institution and also agreeing to furnish to the Commission the Balance Sheet of the registered society or trust, as the case may be along with the annual accounts of each of the institutions managed or run by the registered society or trust.

The Central Government also, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 25 read with Section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956, has framed rules called `The University Grants Commission (Fitness of Institutions for Grant) Rules, 1975`.These Rules shall apply to every institution recognized by the UGC under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 on or after 17.6.1972, the date onwhich the UGC (Amendment) Act, 1972 (3 of 1972) came into force. These Rules provide that no institution to which these rules apply shall be declared to be fit to receive grants from the Central Government, the Commission or any other organization receiving any fund from the Central Government unless the Commission is satisfied that the institution:

(i) Provides instruction upto a bachelor's degree or upto a Post- graduate degree or for a Post-graduate degree only or provides instruction for a diploma course of a duration of not less than one academic year and for which the minimum qualification for admission is a Bachelor's degree.

(ii) Is registered as a society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) or is a body corporate established or incorporated under the Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act for the time being in force or is a trust with Trustees being appointed and vested with legal powers and duties; and

(iii)Is permanently affiliated to University which has been declared fit under Section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956 (3 of 1956) for receiving grants.